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| Applicants | :   | Norbert NICOLAI et al.  | )  |
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| For        |     | A SOUND-ABSORBING ARTICLE<br>EFFECTIVE OVER A BROAD<br>FREQUENCY RANGE (As amended) | ) 26694 ) U.S. PATENT AND ) TRADEMARK OFFICE ) |
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2\_ of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.